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CPUC COMMISSIONERS PICKER AND RANDOLPH CONFIRMED BY STATE SENATE

SAN FRANCISCO, September 9, 2015 -- The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has announced that the State Senate yesterday confirmed the appointments of Michael Picker and Liane M. Randolph as Commissioners of the CPUC. Both were appointed by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.

“I am very thankful to the Senate for confirming my appointment and allowing me to continue working with the CPUC’s dedicated staff to make the CPUC a modern, accessible, and formidable regulatory agency,” said President Picker. “Through open and transparent interaction with the Legislature, consumers, and other stakeholders, we have the opportunity to improve the way that the CPUC operates.”

“I thank the Senate for their vote of confidence, and for the opportunity to continue the important work that I and my fellow Commissioners are undertaking to improve the CPUC,” said Commissioner Randolph. “As Commissioner and as Chair of the Committee on Policy and Governance, I am committed to fulfilling the regulatory responsibilities that have been entrusted in the CPUC to ensure for consumers the provision of safe, reliable utility service and infrastructure at reasonable rates. I look forward to working with the Legislature on the many important matters that face the CPUC and Californians.”

President Picker was appointed Commissioner by Governor Brown on January 29, 2014. He was



reappointed and named President on December 23, 2014. Prior to his appointment, President Picker was Senior Advisor for Renewable Energy in the Office of the Governor from 2009 to 2014. He was a principal at Lincoln Crow Strategic Communications from 2000 to 2009, Deputy Treasurer in the Office of the California State Treasurer from 1998 to 1999, Chief of Staff to Sacramento Mayor Joe Serna Jr. from 1992 to 1999, and Deputy Assistant for toxic substance control in the Office of the Governor from 1981 to 1982. He was a member of the Sacramento Municipal Utility District Board of Directors from 2012-2014. For more information about President Picker, please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/aboutus/Commissioners/Picker/index.htm.

Commissioner Randolph was appointed Commissioner by Governor Brown on December 23, 2014. She formerly served as Deputy Secretary and General Counsel at the California Natural Resources Agency and was appointed to that position by Governor Brown in May 2011. She is an expert in government and administrative law. She was formerly an attorney at the law firm of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman. Commissioner Randolph served as Chair of the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) from 2003 to 2007. As Chair of the FPPC, Commissioner Randolph managed a staff of 70 in the implementation and enforcement of California's Political Reform Act. Prior to her service at the FPPC, Commissioner Randolph practiced municipal law and previously served as City Attorney for the Cities of San Leandro and Suisun City on a contract basis. Commissioner Randolph obtained her law degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, where she also earned a B.A. in history. For more information about Commissioner Randolph, please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/aboutus/Commissioners/Randolph.

The terms for President Picker and Commissioner Randolph end on January 1, 2021.

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